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Coast Guard fires on abandoned Japanese ship

Shirley Bennett

Yesterday, the United States Coast Guard went through with its plans to fire its cannons on the Ryou-un Maru, a Japanese ship that was sent out to sea last year by the tsunami that hit Japan.

The Ryou-un Maru has made a journey across the Pacific Ocean from Hachinohe, Japan to the Gulf of Alaska and ended up about 180 miles from the Alaskan shore. Coast Guard spokesman Paul Webb said sinking the vessel would be "less risky than it would be running into shore or running into [maritime] traffic". The plan was for a Coast Guard cutter to hole the Ryou-un Maru with fire from a range of several hundred feet, and let it sink.

Prior to the sinking of the Ryou-un Maru, a nearby vessel claimed salvage rights. Webb said they would postpone their plans to sink the 164-foot Ryou-un Maru, to allow the 84-foot Donald M to attempt to board it.

After authorization, the Donald M ceased communication with the Coast Guard and returned to shore and the Coast Guard proceeded with their plans. An HC-130 Hercules airplane observed the sinking of the Ryou-un Maru and warned ships in the area of a "live fire exercise". A Coast Guard cutter firing a 25mm cannon sank the Ryou-un Maru, which had been scheduled to be scrapped prior to the 2011 tsunami.

According to Alaska state health and environmental officials, tsunami debris should not cause significant concern of radiation contamination to the shores of Alaska.



Crops Spurred by Warm Spring



An agricultural expert from Tennessee State University points out soybean sprouts. Experts predict a bountiful crop for the area this year.

Police: Arsonist Still Active

Troy Barnes

The series of small fires that have plagued East Nashville, centered in the Lockeland Springs area, continue unabated according to Nashville City spokesperson Carl Vanders.

Said Vanders, "To date the incidents have been isolated to basements and alleys and have not resulted in serious structural damage. We recognize the severity of the situation and are working to stop this dangerous vandalism."

Reverend Ronald Bullsworth spoke at a open neighborhood meeting, "Today, more than ever we face the clarion call to make sure our streets are safe and our homes are secure. It is through the vigilance of men and women who have pride in their neighborhood that we shall overcome all manner of obstacles."

Police at the event warned local neighborhood watch members against engaging with suspects, and instead to call 911 and request law enforcement.

Man Arrested by TSA Sentenced

Pierce Hawthorne

On Wednesday a jury trial convicted Leon Escobar of terroristic motives when he was caught with a substantial amount of firearms in his vehicle during a random stop. Judge Arthur Reinhart passed a sentence of 75 years with no parole Friday at 4:42pm.

Anime Convention begins Tragically

Annie Edison

The bodies of two young women were found in the bushes near the Nashville Convention Center. Drained of all their blood in an apparent cult or ritual slaying, police are investigating the possibility of an organized killing.

"When these types of events occur, our first priority is making sure that no further killings occur. We will stop these perpetrators", said Detective Roy Woods.

NASHVILLE UNVEILED - REQUIEM

STREET RUMORS

These are loose rumors that have popped up between the last game and now. Your Storyteller is not to be trusted: some rumors listed here may be false or dead ends. Suggested rolls for downtime actions are given following some rumors, but feel free to use anything you want. What you roll determines the type of information, and the number of successes

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determines the amount of information.

A bunch of kids are responsible for the fires in East Nashville... they are running around in red hoodies and the fires are some kind of gang initiation.

The TSA is doing more civilian stops along roadways in and near Nashville for our safety.

The fires are the result of a new kind of meth that is designed to appeal to middle school children.

The Farmers Market is really full of vendors, especially for this time of year.

A rise in crime committed by people of Mexican origin is due to drug cartels moving north.

Give the storyteller the passphrase "the duck flies at midnight" during your downtime for an extra bit of information. Do not point this out to other players.

The Frist is hosting a collection of pre-Islamic Middle Eastern Art in May. Some religious groups are planning to protest the pagan imagery.

Toby Keith is a secret fan of Twilight, and is on Team Edward.

A rise in crime is due to unemployed illegal immigrants.

KINDRED RUMORS

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Gangrel are massing in Western Tennessee under orders from the Ordo Dracul to take a major place of power.

There is a rogue vampire violating the masquerade that came north from the Republic of Franklin.

The Gangrel and the Circle of the Crone have a secret pact.

Nosferatu are disappearing from the city, passing a warning along to Clan members that something bad is due to happen in Nashville.

Blood dolls are getting far easier to find – almost too easy. They are following vampires and pestering them.

Gangrel have been killing off Nosferatu as the start of a Clan war.

The Lancea have recruited a stunning number of ghouls, making the late 1990s buildup by the Crone seem small.

Payment from Ordo Dracul for their leased land in the Carthian claimed lands is overdue.

A powerful elder will be visiting Nashville within the month and will claim the Princehood.

RECENTLY...

There was no previous game (a summary would normally go here).

Welcome to the first game!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you haven't already done so, check out the website at NashvilleUnveiled.com. There's a map of vampire claims and feeding grounds, plus some other info.

The layout of the game will mutate and follow what people use. If you want to designate an area, ask the Storyteller.

Feel free to plot and plan between games – and it would be great if you would cc: the Storyteller in on the emails – but actual roleplay that moves plot forward should be limited to actual game. Requiem is very much a game of player versus player, and limiting plot to game hours allows all participants to have a opportunity to intercede and make timely counter moves against PC opponents.

That is not to say there aren't roleplaying lists... just that they are each unique and an invitation must be acquired.

A few notes: The bathroom and front yard (which is the smoking area) are out of character. The upstairs is private (please do not go up or downstairs). All other areas are in character, from the alley behind the house to the park across the street.

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